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Victoria Vintage View

Newsletter of the VCCC – Victoria Chapter

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WELCOME ⬩⬩

Welcome to the SPRING 2026 edition of the Victoria Vintage View, the periodic newsletter of the Victoria Chapter of the Vintage Car Club of Canada. Please submit a story and picture of your vintage vehicle or other subject of interest to the Editor: normtatlow@gmail.com. Preferred length is 1-2 pages, including pictures. Please send in electronic format (email, word, pdf, jpg, etc.) if at all possible. Paper articles are much harder to deal with. But better than NO article! 😅 THANK YOU to those new contributors with great stories. Please note we will move to 2 editions per year, providing we get material from the members. We will discontinue the classified ad feature as better forums exist for that.

Happy Motoring. Thank You, Norm Tatlow.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Victoria Chapter Membership Update
WELCOME NEW MEMBERS 🚕

We have 59 regular memberships and 3 associate memberships. Welcome to our new members this year:

Please join me in making them feel welcome when you see them at our car club events.

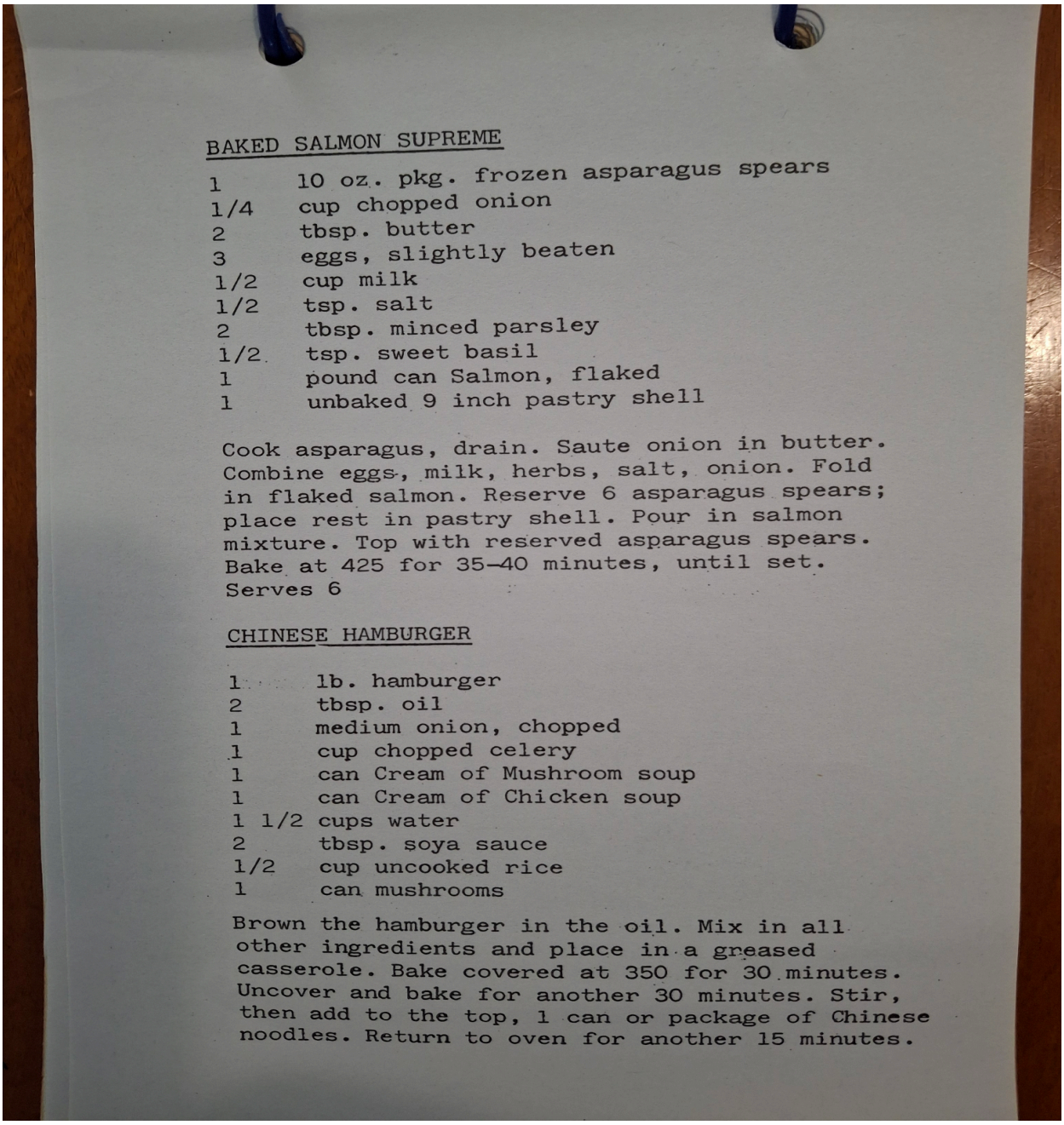
If you have any questions about your memberships, please do not hesitate to contact me -- vccc.vic@gmail.com

Thanks to everyone for your prompt attention to my mail-outs regarding your renewal.

Liz Taylor, Secretary

COOKING CORNER: ❓❓❓❓❓❓ VCCC Victoria

VCCC VINETTES PRIZE COOKBOOK. CIRCA 1985.



BAKED SALMON SUPREME

1	10 oz. pkg. frozen asparagus spears
1/4	cup chopped onion
2	tbsp. butter
3	eggs, slightly beaten
1/2	cup milk
1/2	tsp. salt
2	tbsp. minced parsley
1/2	tsp. sweet basil
1	pound can Salmon, flaked
1	unbaked 9 inch pastry shell

Cook asparagus, drain. Saute onion in butter. Combine eggs, milk, herbs, salt, onion. Fold in flaked salmon. Reserve 6 asparagus spears; place rest in pastry shell. Pour in salmon mixture. Top with reserved asparagus spears. Bake at 425 for 35-40 minutes, until set. Serves 6

CHINESE HAMBURGER

1	lb. hamburger
2	tbsp. oil
1	medium onion, chopped
1	cup chopped celery
1	can Cream of Mushroom soup
1	can Cream of Chicken soup
1 1/2	cups water
2	tbsp. soya sauce
1/2	cup uncooked rice
1	can mushrooms

Brown the hamburger in the oil. Mix in all other ingredients and place in a greased casserole. Bake covered at 350 for 30 minutes. Uncover and bake for another 30 minutes. Stir, then add to the top, 1 can or package of Chinese noodles. Return to oven for another 15 minutes.

Victoria Members Cars - “Please Send Me Yours”.

1965 Mustang Convertible. Sweet ! Don and Evelyn Spencer.

1979 Chevy El Camino. Rod and Dodi Forbes. “ Almost Done “.

Nice Baracuda. Rock Bay. Feb. 15 Tour

1966 Corvette Coupe. Jim and Christine Mc Neill.

VCCC - Victoria Chapter Fact Sheet

Chapter Mailing Address: 3741 Casey Drive, Victoria, B.C. V82 4J6

General Meetings - 1st Tue. of the month: 7:30 PM View Royal Community Hall. 279 Island Hwy

Secretary: Liz Taylor Treasurer: Brent Morrison

Tours & Events : Rod Forbes. President: Rudy Ewert

Vice President: Paul Taylor Governor: Brent Morrison

Other Directors: Marc Brown, John King, Doug Symonds, Murray Firth.

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Victoria Chapter Website ~ victoria.vccc.com National Website: WWW.VCCC.com

UPCOMING EVENTS: ?????????

Chapter general meetings held at 279 Island Highway. Victoria, B.C.

General Meeting Dates. In 2026 - Jan. 6, Feb. 3, March 3, April 7, May 5, June 2, Sept. 1, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, Dec. 1. All at 7:30 PM.

SUNDAY RUN DATES for 2026. Jan. 18, Feb. 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 14, July 12, Aug. 16, Sept. 13, Oct. 18, Nov. 15. -Meet at The Pacific Forestry Centre at 1:00 PM. Depart at 1:30.

May Tour 2026 - Campbell River. May 8 - 11, 2026

Vin Tech at Camosun - April 25, 2026

Father's Day Model T & Model A Run - June 21, 2026

Annual Swap Meet - June 28, 2026

Ice Cream Run - July 19, 2026

Summer Bar B Q - August 16, 2026

Island Tour. Sept 2026.

Corn Roast for all members. Sept. 13, 2026. Appreciation for Swap Meet Volunteers.

Annual Awards Banquet and Christmas Party – Dec. 2026. Date and Venue TBA.

Annual New Year's Day Run - Jan. 1, 2026. THANK YOU for FOOD AND CASH DONATIONS.

Thank you to the PACIFIC FORESTRY CENTRE .....

It was June 2004 when the Victoria Chapter was asked to move its Sunday Run meeting place from Tillicum Mall and the hunt was on to find another safe parking area to gather for our monthly Sunday Runs.

We approached the Pacific Forestry Centre on West Burnside Road because they have a nice paved and fairly private parking lot, and were in a central area for our members. They agreed and we have been using their parking lot ever since.

Here is a bit of information about what they do here .....

The Pacific Forestry Centre (PFC) is one of five research centres within the Canadian Forest Service. Its research priorities include: **Forest entomology and pathology, Wildland fire management, Forest inventory and monitoring, Climate change** and **Economic and market research.** Also: The Forest Pathology Herbarium at the Pacific Forestry Centre is an internationally recognized collection of over 35,300 preserved and catalogued forest fungi and disease specimens, representing over 3,000 different fungal species, including over 140 type specimens. The herbarium has existed through a number of departmental changes since its establishment in 1940.

We continue to be grateful for Pacific Forestry Centre's support and generosity for the past 21 years and we look forward to continuing our relationship into the future. All they ask is that we respect their property and clean up any oil/fluid leaks that we might leave behind. With that in mind, if you know that your car is a bit leaky, please bring along some absorbent pads or some kitty litter to soak up the liquid.

We have been given approval for our dates for 2026 – so we look forward to seeing you at our Sunday Runs .....

Liz Taylor

Vintage Car Club of Canada, Victoria Chapter, R. Lawrence Memorial Award

2025 Recipient:
Jackson Orlick

Dear Members of the Vintage Car Club of Canada,

Thank you very much for funding the Vintage Car Club - R. Lawrence Memorial Award. It is an honour to be recognized for both the theoretical and practical aspects of my studies in the Automotive Service Technician program at Camosun College. This award will help me continue developing my skills and pursuing a career in the automotive industry.

My accomplishments have been possible thanks to the guidance of my instructors at Camosun and the encouragement of mentors in the trade. Their passion for craftsmanship and attention to detail have inspired me to uphold a high standard in my own work and have shaped my approach to working with vehicles.

This award provides not only financial support but also motivation to continue refining my abilities and to honour traditional automotive craftsmanship. I look forward to a career dedicated to restoring cars and preserving automotive history — four wheels at a time (and maybe two now and then).

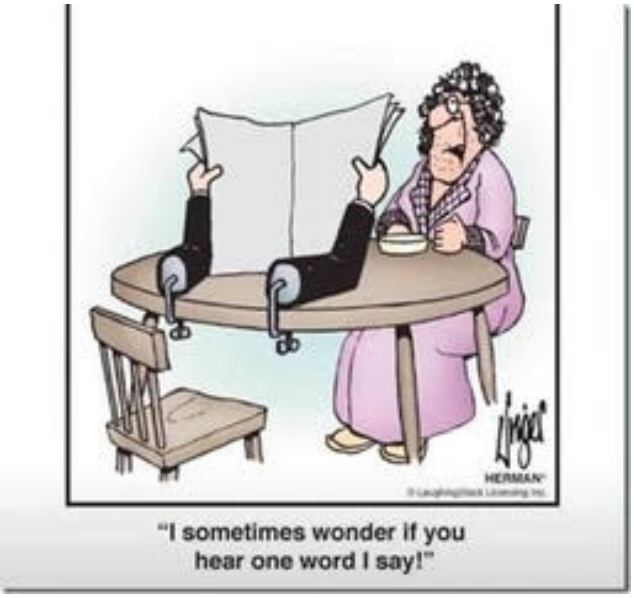
Thank you again for your generosity and for supporting students like me who are passionate about carrying forward this legacy of skilled workmanship.

Sincerely,
Jackson Orlick

Thank You for your input and stories.

PLEASE Send: A good Picture of your car and a few notes?

- Sunshine Report, Obituaries, Mystery Vehicle Photos - Old Photo Corner, Automotive Trivia, Cooking Corner
- Special and Unique Topics, Jokes and Stories, AND….More!



Thanks Kurt !!

The Special order purple Cougars of Rocky Mountain Life Insurance. The Rocky Mountain Life Insurance Company was the vision of Insurance Salesman James E. Wood. Jim had worked in the Insurance industry, and realized starting his own Insurance Company was within reach. The accelerated rise and fall of the company, brings with it a love hate relationship. Under Jim's guidance the sales force propelled the company through an incredible level of growth, and success. This amazing growth would provide the reason for the take over by the Alberta Government, and the total financial loss by share holders.

Rocky Mountain Life was formed in 1965 and commenced selling insurance on January 1 st , 1966. The company enjoyed mammoth

growth in its first four years of operation. In 1969 they led the Province in new business produced. Its cost in obtaining this business was the lowest in Canada using Stone, Cox Life Insurance tables, methods of calculation. (Available in Edmonton Public Library).

It was Rocky Mountain's innovative concepts that lead to the Company's success. It was Jim's education from the Life Insurance Marketing, at Purdue University that led to his innovative concept and thus the great success of the Company. Management used the simple concept of recruit, train and supervise. It is only natural that you can't start a Life Insurance Company without people who can sell.

The key being that you have to Recruit - both Women and Men - in other words you need a good Sales Organization. It was possible for a new Recruit to be presented with a brand new Purple (RML colour) Cougar Automobile within one month of sales activity provided he or she reached an income level of $2,000 per month. They could retain use of the Cougar as long as their income level was maintained at $1,500 per month. Should they miss this level for two consecutive months the car had to be returned. To get the car back they had to reach the $2,000 level and maintain the same $1,500 level as before. The program had enormous advertising value as well as motivation value for our Sales Organization and the Company. It was probably the major reason for our highly successful recruiting program and continuous sales production. The Cougar automobile of the day was probably the most popular sports car available from any dealer. The cost of the cars was built into our sales commission schedule. The first known cars were 1968 XR-7 Cougars shown in the image above. None of these cars have been found and no starting place to begin with researching them. The photo was given to me by Jim's son on a visit with him in Calgary. The 1969 purple XR-7 I have the Factory invoice that shows the following. Cougar XR-7

$3233.30, Special paint, 351-4V $58.80, White Vinyl Roof $82.80, Engine heater immersion $9.40, Select-shift Transmission $196.40, WSW E78x14 4P/R W/T tires $29.90, sports console $52.50, Power steering $89.10, PWR Disc PK, Tilt-away steering wheel $1109.20, AM Radio/ Stereo Tape system $185.40, Tinted glass-complete $29.50, DLX seat & Front shoulder belts $14.10, Heavy duty battery $7.50, Door edge guards $5.40, wire wheel covers 47.60, front bumper guards $11.60, special paint NC, Total options $939.20, Distribution and delivery $141.00, Gasoline $2.10. The cars were special ordered by Universal Sales & Service in Calgary for Rocky Mountain Life Insurance. The door data plate does not indicate the colour, this was found on a build sheet (normally destined for the trash) under the passenger side carpet. The build sheet states in the remarks – Hood and fenders 9083, this is shown in the colour selector book as being purple.

It was 1994 when I purchased my first 1970 Lime Green Cougar XR-7 and joined the Yahoo Classic Cougar Forum. It was on this forum that I first learned about the purple Rocky Mountain Life Insurance

Cougars. It was February 2003 when I first saw what a month later would become my car. To my surprise the Cougar was white with purple showing where the paint was peeling, also in the trunk and on the floor pans. This car was well-documented by Ray Harwood of Victoria, who had the original survivor as well as a few other cars he had found. I would later learn that the Cougar was purchased by a lady in 1970 from Dearborn Ford in Kamloops. In 1985 it had dents, rust and a white repaint by a local body shop because they convinced her that purple was not a Ford colour. I refer to this as its mid-life crisis. When the Cougar became mine in 2003, I first showed it at FordNutz in 2003, still white as I had bought it. Starting on 15 May 2004 I began its first makeover, knowing that WT9083 was the correct colour because I found a build sheet under the passenger side carpet. I painted the car in July and had it at Claw In August where you could smell the fresh paint from ten feet away. Over the years I have actively been on a "Purple Cougar" hunt, but unfortunately they are like a wet bars of soap and hard to keep in contact with.

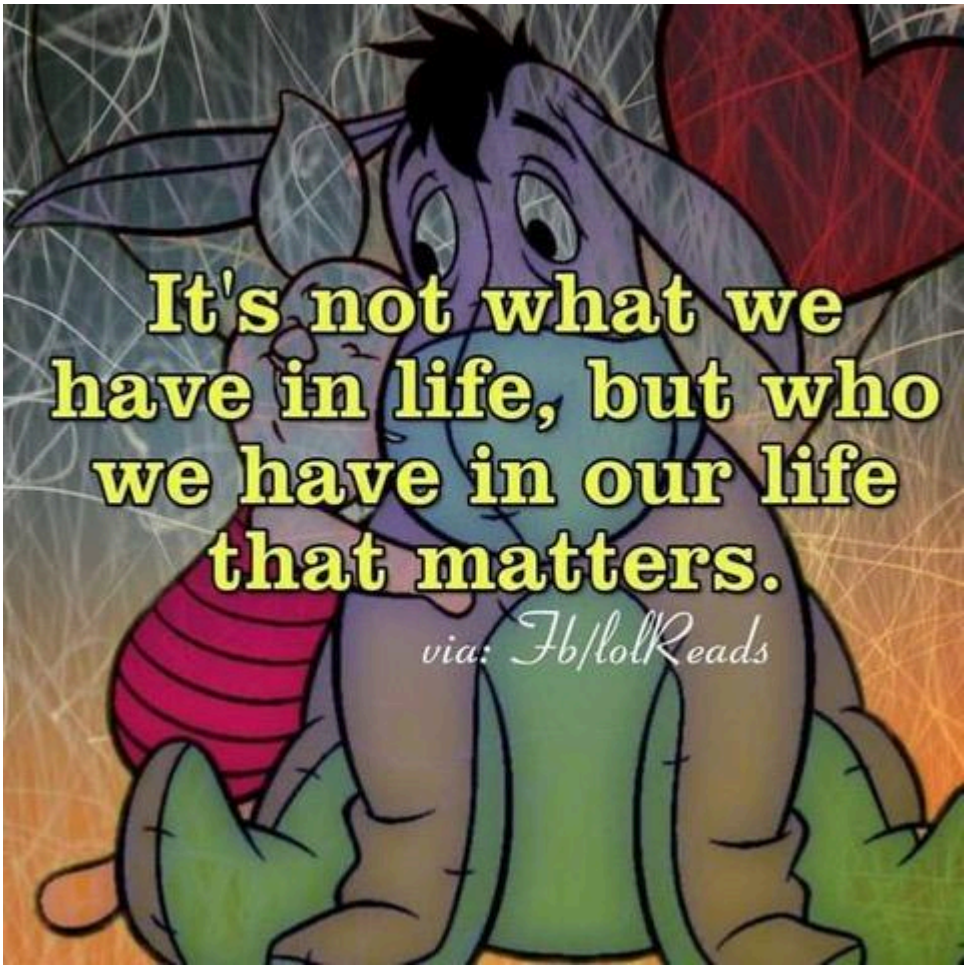
I had a Telus personal web site that was shut down by Telus with most of the information now on https://www.rmlcougar.com/ it has nineteen RML Cougars in the owners' choices of colour, three of which are known to be purple. I have personally seen fourteen while thirteen more of the known cars have either vanished without a trace or I have lost contact with the car or owner but my site was the best reference when looking at these cars. Now check out https://www.rmlcougar.com/

Since 2003 the car has had a make over from white back to purple, again a second repaint in mid September 2016 under less than ideal conditions, and an engine rebuild. Working out of a two car carport the car has been bought to it's present condition. I have travelled a lot from Kamloops. Driven to a Cougar National in Denver Colorado in 2007,

Issaquah Washington, Cold Lake Alberta, Winnipeg in 2019, and many trips to Vancouver for Cougar club events. We moved to Victoria in 2022, and in March 2024 my Cougar was driven from our son's place in the lower mainland to Victoria.

Written by Robert Nowland. Owner of Purple Cougar.

Victoria VCCC Member.



"ISLAND REWIND" - for VCCC History or other trivia.

Freida Eriksen has kindly forwarded me some older newsletters that she published over 15 years ago for VCCC This 2010 newsletter chronicles the history of VCCC Victoria very nicely from 1961 on. LOTS OF GREAT MEMORIES HERE ! Y0U MAY NEED A MAGNIFYING GLASS ! **Thank You Freida !!**

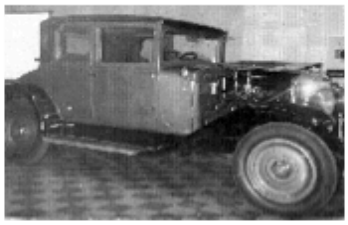
1960 50th VICTORIA Vintage Car Club of Canada 2010

Vintage Car Club of Canada
Victoria Chapter

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2010

HIGHLIGHTS THROUGHOUT THE YEARS - JANUARY TO MARCH

1961 - January: January 23rd meeting: "Newell Morrison has most kindly offered to shove one of his modern lumps of machinery to one side to allow a Member's car to be driven in the Showroom FOR THE OWNER to talk about and answer questions – if he can!" Car displayed: Jeremy Hine's 1926 Bentley. Entertainment: The Shell Oil Film of the "Belgian Grand Prix".



February: Al Woodbury's 1928 La Salle was displayed. Entertainment: the Shell film "Le Mans".

1928 La Salle

1926 Bentley

March: Austin Smith's 1932 Packard was displayed. Entertainment: The Shell film "Alpine Rally".

1962 - January: Entertainment: "Dearborn Holiday" from the Ford Motor Co. Sunday run: "A simple observation questionnaire will be handed out and the winner will receive a suitable gift. End point - Mattick's Farm, where you can buy ice-cream, tea, coffee, etc. – and carrots for the donkeys!!" Starting point: Safeway at Hillside & Quadra at 2 p.m. (Ned Hanning and his "crew" won this event.) **February:** "A general discussion took place, started by Dave McDonald, about the appalling attendance of many of our members recently. It has become obvious to the Committee that there are a great number of people who just want to leave everything to them and to turn up when it suits them. In a small Club such as ours, the assistance of all is needed..."

1932 Packard

March: Meeting place - main office of BAPCO (British America Paint Co. Ltd.) Club's finances stood at $107.32 net after all expenses. Door prize draw was a 1914 B.C. number plate won by Jeremy Hine.

1965 - January: The meeting was held at James Bay School with other meetings at BAPCO and Morrison Chevrolet Oldsmobile Ltd..

1968 - March: The meeting was at the Cantelon's since "Morrison's is no longer available".

1969 - "Howie Cronk volunteered, again, to be the Chapter contributor of news and gossip to the Club journal."

1970 - March: the new Executive was looking for ideas to spark interest in the Club and get more members on runs. 50 surveys were sent out, of which 8 were returned. Coffee equipment including sugar, cups, etc. was purchased from Roger Trudeau for $13.

Barney Oldfield & Bruce Hopkins

Al Kent

1971 - January: The **"Participation Award"** for tour participation was introduced.
1972 - February: Joe Brown introduced a new idea - **"Information Corner"**. Joe also became the **official welcomer** to guests attending future meetings. A letter was received from the Canadian Historical Society expressing concern over the possible banning of cars prior to 1960 models because of pollution. **March:** "Attendance be limited to three meetings for non-members."
1973 - January: The **first auction** was held by Bob Lawrence. $4 was raised for the Club funds. Al Kent was awarded a Car Badge by Tour Chairman Barrie McClung for the prize winning name of the **1973 May Tour - The Royal Victorian Tour**. Tour headquarters: The Empress Hotel. The Executive decided that the Sunday following each monthly meeting, the Club would hold a major event. Members decided that a $5.00 bill would be raffled at each meeting. Tickets would cost $.25 and proceeds would go to Club funds. **March: Bob Miller volunteered to organize a Swap Meet**, Ned Hanning volunteered to be Club Historian and Harvey Sherman volunteered to be Librarian.
1975 - January: The meeting place was moved to St. Martin in-The-Fields Church. Treasurer's report: a balance of $283.61 and $455.46 in the Building Fund. Bob Miller continued to do an excellent job as Club auctioneer.

1976 - January: It was announced that members wishing to **display cars at the Mayfair Mall** at $25 per day minimum May 21-30 should see Bob Thursfield. **February:** Motion carried that the **Club would get $25 per day or $100 per week - 50% would go to the Club – four cars or more constituted a group**. (The Car Club never heard anything more from Mayfair Mall so there was no display.) "Vintage insurance rates are up about three times because of misuse by hot-rodders, modified vehicles, etc." **March: Bob Huddleston** took over as **Editor of the "Vintage Car"** and Victoria members produced it. First issue: May edition.

Stan Kathrens (left) and Reg Potts (right) working on the "Vintage Car".

1977 - January: The **Restoration Committee** felt that owing to increased membership and activity, a competitive situation developed which was not the intention of the award. The restoration trophy donated by Newell Morrison and presented to the member who had made the most effort and progress on a vintage automobile restoration during each calendar year was retired. Instead, every year a **personal wall or dash plaque** would be awarded to each member who, in the opinion of the committee, has completed the restoration of a vintage automobile." **March** of this year was a bad time for the hobby. Gorsh's Auto Wreckers of Nanaimo was visited by a crusher. Also, cars on Mayne Island were going to be collected for crushing sometime in April. The $.25 raffle for the $5.00 door prize profit was now directed from the Building Fund to General Revenue.
1978 - January: After an absence of a number of years, **Information Corner** was **reintroduced** by Reg Potts. **February: Ten Year Membership Pins** were **introduced**.
1979 - January: Notation in the minutes: "Do not use wire brush on battery posts. It is possible for the bristles to short out - causing a spark and the battery could explode. Use emery paper or a knife to clean the posts."
1980 - February: Victoria was the largest Chapter with 133 members. February newsletter: "Jack Little is coming along like a house-on-fire with his 1928 Model A; George Vriesen is doing great things with his 1931 Ford Cabriolet (and you should see his 1931 Victoria!); Tom Fisher is working hard on his 1930 Model A sedan; Norrie Spencer is doing a super job on his 1930 Model A truck; Ted Trotter is working on a 1928 Model A Tudor now. This is the year of the Fabulous Fords ...." (Elaine Little) **March:** A letter was read from Al Kent and Don Stevens on behalf of the **1979 May Tour Committee** about the **donation to the Club of a 15' trailer for Club use at events. March:** "George Green is doing a beautiful job on his 1953 Plymouth convertible, with an able assist from Rita. He's got the top on and the upholstery done, and it is ready for the paint shop. I hear it's going to be painted to match Rita's nail polish."
1981 - January: Vintage cars are now to lead all tours, modern and modified cars to follow. **February: Suggestion box** made by Jack Little. Members' cars made a nice display at Saanich's 75th Anniversary Celebrations.
1983 - February: Vinettes offered to pay for some of the Club trailer renovations i.e. remove toilet and replace with shelves, install exhaust fan over grill, install new lino on floor. "The policy re: **vintage cars on display at malls** was discussed. Existing policy which is to charge **$25 per day per car if over 3 cars per show, ½ of this fee is to be donated to the Club was upheld. March:** Donuts available for the coffee break. $.20/donut, $.25/coffee. Bob Miller told the Club about his "This is your hack"

party where he was presented with a Model T Depot Hack when he returned from Arizona, thanks to his friends Bill Kendall, Ken Ballard, Dan Buie, Ray Hughes and Steve Walsh.

1984 - March: Rudy Ewert and Stan Kathrens had their antique licence plates stolen. After organizing the Swap Meet annually, Bob Miller wanted the Victoria Chapter to take over the Swap Meet. It was decided that a PR person should welcome new members.

1985 - March: First Safety Inspection. (Vin Tech) at the Country Jubilee Texaco, organized by Al Kent. 9th & 10th - VCCC Annual General Meeting was held at the Crest Motor Motel. Owner, Murray Gammon, opened up his Classic Car Museum and coffee shop for the Governors. Bob Miller still remained the co-chairman in the Victoria Chapter/Vancouver Island Street Rod Association Swap Meet. Information corner: Al Kent gave a talk on how great the Silicone Brake Fluid is. George Vriesen told members that if you have a leaky rear window, silicone caulking is not recommended. Urethane is.

March 31, 1985 - Graham Verley's 1931 Ford being inspected

Right: March 1990 - Vin Tech at the Wallace's - Reg Potts & his 1928 Ford

Left: March 1993 - Vin Tech at Dave & Judy Wallace's. Drew Eriksen's 1966 Buick (now Finn & Freida's)

Left: April 1999 - Vin Tech at ICBC

Right: April 1999 – Vin Tech - Bruce Hopkins, Reg Potts & Harvey Sherman

1986 - January: Questionaire results. "a large majority feel the VCCC magazine is an important feature and a unifying factor of the Club. However, they were not satisfied with the cost and would accept picking up a bi-monthly publication at the Club meeting. Most members felt that each Chapter should be permitted only limited space per issue and that other car clubs be required to pay a nominal advertising fee. Most also felt the editor's position should be voluntary and that if National dues decreased, chapter dues should increase correspondingly. The following items were listed in order of importance by our members: 1. Swaps, etc. 2. Classified ads 3. Technical articles 4. Correspondents reports 5. Commercial ads 6. National business 7. Fashions."

1988 - February: Summer Games Society do not want our cars dripping oil on the stadium's asphalt..

1992 - January: Dues were increased $10. **February:** Reg Potts and Don Stevens volunteered to be the **Welcoming Committee.** "They will introduce guests and new members to other members with similar cars." Members were reminded to wear name tags. **Newsletter - commercial advertising suggested.** **March:** The schedule for meetings was outlined - limit business meeting to one hour, auction to ½ hour and begin entertainment promptly at nine. (That was the plan!) Since Vin Tech started in 1985, 53 cars had been tested.

1991 Hillside Mall's Heritage Fair

Bob Miller's '35 Ford & Stan & Betty Kathrens' '35 Chrysler

George & Rita Green's '41 De Soto

1993 - March: Fees for Commercial Displays was once again discussed. It was moved that "the **Club charge $25 per car per day for cars provided to a commercial venture** with the proceeds going to the Club. **No fees will be charged for community or charitable events.**" Don Stevens & Reg Potts had **kits for new members**. The Transportation Museum

1996 Tillicum Mall Display
Ted & Janet Trotter's '28 Ford, Bob Miller's '35 Ford

collection was broken up with 116 cars auctioned off on March 20th and 63 cars kept for some purpose in the future. The prices were astronomical making it almost impossible to purchase anything. A discussion was held about presentations at meetings and the Executive outlined these directions - **"all presentations of products are to be limited in length, no commercial sales are to be made at meetings or by mail, brochures can be handed out, vehicles for sale are to be posted on the bulletin board, no Club member is to give out roster information to others."** The Club proposal for a 2 tier membership was defeated at the Governor's Meeting.

1994 - March: Misuse of collector plate discussed. Phone **1-800-661-6844** with vehicle plate number and a description of the infraction. Jack Woolard's get rid of unwanted rust on reusable car parts recipe: Mix 5 parts water with 1 part molasses. Put rusty car parts in this solution and check about a week later. Scrub a little with steel wool and if necessary return the parts to the solution until rust free.

1995 - February: Club jackets - wool jackets with leather sleeves $205/ Spring jackets $80. The Club trailer checked - rot was so severe that it was not economical to repair. Recommended that the trailer be stripped then scrapped. A **Trailer Committee** was formed and "empowered to locate a suitable trailer up to a maximum cost of $4000." The Club paid for 5 members to take the Food Safety Course. Club membership fee $50.00. **March:** The Oldfield Garage was demolished.

1996 - January: Ted Baker donated a "**MAILBOX**" for Club members to put suggestions in. **February:** 1000 Club brochures were printed at a cost of $187. **March:** Club to spend up to $750 to have the Bob Lawrence's slide collection of local vehicles duplicated.

1997 - January: ICBC Bulletin - **All antique vehicles for which new Vintage plates are being purchased will have to be registered under the Motor Vehicle Act.** A vehicle currently registered as an antique vehicle that is NOT registered under the Motor Vehicle Act will still be able to be transferred, along with its corresponding vintage plates, WITHOUT having to be registered under the Motor Vehicle Act. **March:** Bob Lawrence's 11,500 slides are now at the Beaulieu Museum in England. The membership roster that Stan Kathrens kept was turned over to the Club by the family.

1998 - February: Total revenue $8293.11. May Tour Account - $830.80. Complete recovery of funds was made. *(In November 1997, the Club received some shocking news. Club funds were withdrawn from the bank account and only $66.02 was in the chequing account and $.11 in the savings.)*

1999 - February: Bruce Hopkins compiled a computer printout of the membership history using information from Stan Kathrens' notes. **March:** Lloyd Brown from "Old Autos" was on the March Run and photos of members' cars appeared in a later issue.

2000 - February: 40th Anniversary Committee: Bill Bouchard, Bonner Neeve, Paul Taylor and Gordie Thomas. It was moved that the Club purchase a vintage plate for the jeep being restored by cadets for the Ashton-Garrison Museum.

2001 - January: Pete Seward became in charge of name badges. Jane Thomas became the membership person. **February:** Clarification between Life and Honourary Memberships was made. **Bob Miller was presented with a Certificate of Honourary Membership** - all dues, both local and National would be paid by the Victoria Chapter in perpetuity. "It should be noted that this gesture is not meant to set any precedent and that any future similar actions will be advanced on their own merits."

2002 - March: Bill Bouchard, Finn Eriksen and Brent Morrison presented the revised **Club's Standing Rules**. The proposed changes would be published and the general membership would vote at the May general meeting.

2003 - February: Bill Bouchard presented his paper re: future direction/initiatives for the Chapter. Harvey Sherman spoke about the Restoration Committee, its history and regulations, and suggested it's time to think about a **Preservation Committee** - for those who do not fully restore vehicles in accordance with the restoration guidelines, but who do in fact put some effort into preserving these vintage vehicles. Al Kent spoke about the archival value of **Stan Kathrens' records** and his concern that such records be maintained. Freida Eriksen says she keeps detailed records of club events, committees and their composition, awards, etc., so we are maintaining the same type of records for archival purposes. **March:** Steve Shea developed an **inventory list of club objects**.

2004 - February: Snow cancelled our January meeting. Trophies awarded at the Corn Roast be renamed to "People's Choice" awards for car, commercial vehicle and upholstery. Best American Car is no longer awarded. **March:** Some Cornell tools were donated to Heritage Acres. **Spouses could have service pins.** The number of years of the pin would be the same as the those of the original member or the length of time the spouse has been involved, whichever is the lesser. Membership approved the guidelines for recognized preservation of vintage vehicles which Harvey Sherman presented. $50 would be donated to the Cancer Society in memory of Bob Miller.

2005 - January: The donation of $200 to the Red Cross for the South Asia Tsunami Relief Fund will be made through the Blitz on CFAX radio station and the Victoria Chapter will challenge other car clubs to match us. **March:** It was decided that we **no longer need the Club shed on the Fisher Farm.**

2006 - January: Harvey Sherman will purchase DVD/VHS player to use for entertainment purposes and Dave will store it.

2007 - February: March: Finn Eriksen mentioned that the Club had previously moved and passed a motion that the Club purchase a DVD/VCR for our entertainment enjoyment. Harvey Sherman reported that as we do not have an entertainment committee at this time we will wait before making any purchases. Bill Nicholson has rewired the Club's valve grinder. He invested $120 and any member wishing to use it is asked to make a small donation towards this cost.

AWARDS BANQUET - December 6, 2009

As many of you know, Joan Huddleston, hoped that someone else would plan this year's banquet but when no one offered, she said she would reserve a facility. Next thing you know, Joan was doing everything and what an excellent job she did. Barkley's Steakhouse was a beautiful setting with fantastic service and scrumptious food. On each table were red poinsettias for the members to take home at the end of the evening.

Members arrived on an extremely cold and windy night but soon were warmed by greetings from other members and the festively decorated restaurant. MC, Dave Rogers who did a fabulous job, got the evening started with Tom Fisher saying grace. After a sit down dinner, The Alf Carter Group from Mill Bay put on a very entertaining show. The group consisted of 2 singing sisters, a trumpet player and an accordionist on his $15,000 accordion. A selection of old songs (McGuire sisters, Christmas songs, etc.) was enjoyed.

Soon it was the awards part of the evening.

RESTORATION/PRESERVATION AWARD: No one applied this year.

TOUR ATTENDANCE AWARD: (Presented by **Terry Seward**)

Tour Plaques presented for 6 or more tours attended:

Bill & Lois Bouchard, Gordon & Audrey Boyd, Jamie & Sherrill Cox, Finn & Freida Eriksen, Bruce Esplen, George & Rita Green, David & Karen Hilder, Hugh & Suzanne Johnson, Al & Barb Kent, John King, James & Barb Kitchener, Mike May, Brent, Newell & Morrison family, Heinz & Mary Mueller, Bill & Joyce Nicolson, Reg & Helen Potts, Gerry & Ann Sage, Norm & Ettie Scott, Pete & Terry Seward, Harvey & Sue Sherman, Don & Dolores Stevens, Paul & Liz Taylor and Gordie & Jane Thomas.

Most Tours Attended Trophy: Brent, Newell & Morrison family, Norm & Ettie Scott and Gordie & Jane Thomas

MEMBERSHIP PINS: (Presented by **Jane Thomas**)

5 years: **Steve (&Sharon) Butler, Scott (& Diane) Davies, Joseph Kovacs, Brian (& Kay) McKeever, Lou (& Shar) Neff**
10 years: **Bill (& Rose) Lailey, Neil Robb, Les (& Rose) Vivian**
15 years: **David Blissett**
20 years: **Mike May, Gordie Thomas, Ron (& Miriam) Tomlinson**
30 years: **Steve (&Alice) Hunt, Barry McClung, Pat (& Margaret) Meehan**
35 years: **Ted (& Jane) Baker, Denis (& Diana) Kitchener, Don (& Evelyn) Spencer, Norrie (& Rose) Spencer**
40 years: **Tom (& Helen) Fisher, Al (& Barb) Kent**
(Editor's note: Wives' names that are in brackets chose not to receive a pin.)

THE ROBERT LAWRENCE MEMORIAL AWARD (Most Valuable Member/ Members): (Presented by **Bill Bouchard**)

Dave & Becky Rogers

Dave & Becky took on the task of chairing our annual Swap Meet in 2009 which is a big job. Since they have joined in 2006, they also have been very active and supportive of our Club. Well done!!!

Thank you, **Joan Huddleston**, for another well planned and fun Awards Banquet. I think Joan has done a wonderful job for quite a few years now. It would be nice if someone else organized this event and gave Joan a rest.

VCCC - VICTORIA CHAPTER WEBSITE

The following New Year's Day and January write ups have been copied from our website - www.vccc.com - *Victoria Chapter*. For those of you who have not checked this site out, I highly recommend that you do. Initially Liz Taylor needed some technical help from Paul to set up a very attractive and informative site but now Liz is in charge. I thoroughly enjoy her interesting write ups on our various events (as you will read below) and Paul's photos are an added bonus. Congratulations, Liz, on an excellent job. It certainly shows those who check out our web site what an active and fun club we have. And a personal thank you, Liz, for making my job as newsletter editor much easier. I can now borrow your newsy write ups and some of Paul's photos for those members who don't have computers.

MARGARET CRUMP 1925 - January 7, 2010
"Maggie passed away peacefully Thursday evening. She had a life of adventures, matching her limitless spirit. She had a great concern for others, a gift of hospitality, an uncommon ability to engage others in conversation and a keen appreciation for nature and her Country. Always up for play, she would rather go to the beach than clean the house! For 65 years, she was Eric's faithful companion, friend and wife. Remember her by being kind to all and telling those you love how you feel now; don't put it off.."

Margaret was a member of the Car Club for 43 years. As one club member said, "Many of us will remember fun times with Margaret and Eric. "Our" Maggie will be missed."

NEW YEAR'S DAY RUN 2010 *(Write up taken from the web with thanks to Liz Taylor & Paul Taylor for his photos)*

The Victoria Chapter is celebrating its 50th Anniversary in 2010 and to kick off its 50th year, a special New Year's Day Run was planned. It started at the usual place (Pacific Forestry Centre on West Burnside Road), where members were presented with their own copy of the 50th Anniversary Calendar; created and assembled by Bill Bouchard, Paul and Liz Taylor.

Run organizer Brent Morrison added several new twists to the traditional "round the waterfront" drive, leading everyone from the meeting place to the Reception Centre at McCall Bros. Funeral Home for refreshments. Two special anniversary cakes were served, in addition to donuts and coffee and tea. The Up-Island chapters had been invited to join the party and several members of the Cowichan Chapter made the journey to Victoria. 33 local members and their families participated. 18 vintage cars were brought out for this event.

Thanks to Brent Morrison for looking after the donuts and for organizing the run and providing some very interesting historical facts about Victoria fifty years ago. Thanks to Joan Huddleston for arranging for the wonderful anniversary cakes, and to Paul Taylor and McCall Bros. for the use of the facility.

Reg & Helen Potts' 1929 Ford

1977 New Year's Day

Don & Dolores Stevens' 1930 Ford

Bill & Joy Cassidy's 1933 Chevrolet

Tom & Helen Fisher's 1930 Ford

1983 New Year's Day Run - *regrouping at Mt. Doug Park*

2004 New Year's Day

JANUARY RUN - Sunday, January 17, 2010 *(Write up taken from the web with thanks to Liz Taylor and Paul Taylor for his photos)*

On a typical winter day in Victoria, we gathered at the Pacific Forestry Centre to prepare for our January Run. The wind was brisk but the predicted rain never materialized. There was a good turn-out of 22 cars, 18 of which were vintage.

Pete and Terry Seward's route led us from the Forestry Centre to UVic, down to Cadboro Bay, around Ten Mile Point, around Gordon Head to Cordova Bay, then back through Broadmead to Cedar Hill and Brannigan's restaurant. This run took about 1 1/2 hours and participants were treated to spectacular views of the ocean and Olympic Mountains from various spots along the route, as well as some gorgeous homes in the Ten Mile Point and Broadmead areas. The route even took members on some roads that some folks had never been on before.

Most people stopped for coffee and a visit at the restaurant. Thanks to Pete & Terry for another great run.

VINETTE NEWS

The Vinettes will be gathering for a lunch meeting in February where some plans will be discussed. Vinette member, Peggy Akenclose, has been in Victoria General Hospital for a little while. She is doing really well and has had some of the Vinettes visit her. If you are interested in visiting her, she is in Room 702 right now but I would recommend confirming with VGH before you go in case she no longer is there.

CLUB NEWS

Welcome to new members Richard Johnson, Tony McGuire and Denise Doucet. Many of us have met Tony at the meetings with his father-in-law, Chuck Mowbray. And then we had the chance to welcome Richard on the New Year's Day run and again at the January meeting. It was so nice to see Hap Shapley once again at January's meeting. Glad that you rejoined, Hap, and welcome to your wife, Jane, as well.

WANTED

A book titled *Model T Ford, The Car That Changed The World by Bruce McCalley*; an unrestored Model T Ford, prefer Roadster or Touring; Model A Coupe, need body only if possible, prefer 1930-31 (I will buy complete car if I must); early Ford literature (Model T, Model A and Flathead V-8); books and magazines by Lorin Sorensen and front fenders, left and right to fit 1958 Ford. Contact: Robert Bada, rjbada@shaw.ca or 250-478-5167.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL REMINDER!!!!

This is your **last newsletter** and **last Vintage Car** plus your name will not be on the **local** or **National roster** if you do not renew your membership by the **3rd week of February**. The **National roster** of members will be produced **at the end of February**. Contact **Jane Thomas** if you haven't paid your **$50.00** dues ($45 to the National and $5 to our local Chapter. $10 of your dues are subsidized by the Club). If you have your form, all you have to do is **check for accuracy - a very important job** - and if there are any inaccuracies or if there are any changes or additions, make the corrections on the form. Return the form to Jane (**1846 Ferndale Road, Victoria, B.C. V8N 2Y1**) with your money. Please make the cheque out to **V.C.C.C. - Victoria Chapter** and send it to Jane Thomas. **Phone Jane (477-6168) if you have any questions.**

I would like to thank those businesses who have sponsored us in recent years and who continue to sponsor this newsletter. Please think of them if you have any type of business that they can help you with. Sadly, we will be saying goodbye to a long time sponsor. Calling All Cards is no longer in business. As many of you know, Meredith Maddern and Peter Klit are long time car club members and we appreciate Calling All Cards sponsoring the newsletter for so many years. We wish you well in your future endeavours, Meredith.

I would also like to thank those people who have given me articles, etc. for the newsletter.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

FEBRUARY **2 - VCCC meeting** at **7:30 p.m. St. Luke's Church Hall**, 3821 Cedar Hill X Rd. Entertainment: TBA
13 - Vinettes meeting - A lunch meeting @ **Copper Rock Grill**.
14 - Sunday Run. TBA. Meet at the **Forestry Centre** on West Burnside at 1:00 pm, depart at 1:30 pm.
23 - Executive meeting. Joan Huddleston

MARCH **2 - VCCC meeting** at **7:30 p.m. St. Luke's Church Hall**, 3821 Cedar Hill X Rd. Entertainment: TBA
14 - Sunday Run.
15 - Newsletter deadline.
15 - Vinettes meeting. Dolores Stevens
30 - Executive meeting. Jane Thomas

BRASS IN THE SQUARE: This event will be held on **July 1st** in Centennial Square and on Broad Street from City Hall to the Bay Centre. The Victoria Fire Department Historical Society and the Victoria Downtown Business Association are co-hosting the event. The programme that day will be shared with the Annual Jazz Festival and Canada Day Celebrations. The show will be open to 1915 and earlier but an exception will be made for a specialty vehicle. There is no entry fee and at this point the limit is 50 entries. The invitation and registration form will be going out electronically. The organizers are in the process of doing the forms and fine tuning the program now. They are working on supplying a box lunch to the participants as well as a token of their appreciation. They have confirmed the Blackstaff's 1906 Zust from the 1908 Around the World Race and some of their other collection as well as some vintage motorcycles. Harry has started spreading the word and there is interest from up Island. I will let antique car owners know as soon I get more information. Freida

CANADIAN EVENTS: *Remember that dates and times can change so* ***CALL B4 U GO.***

MARCH 20 - The Doo-Wop Car & Truck Swap Meet, pre-70, 250-860-0044 ask for Ken or psychoj@telus.net, Kelowna, BC;
26-27 - Sun Valley Swap Meet, 250-308-4701 or reggie64@shaw.ca, Vernon, BC

AMERICAN EVENTS:

FEBRUARY 13-14 - Early Bird Swap Meet, 253-863-6211, Puyallup, WA.
MARCH 13-14 - Almost Spring Swap Meet/Vintage Car Show, 360-871-3733, Puyallup, WA.
APRIL 8-11 - PIR Auto Swap Meet, 503-307-5420, Portland, OR; **9-10 - Portland Swap Meet,** 503-678-2100, Portland, OR.

VINTAGE CAR CLUB OF CANADA - VICTORIA CHAPTER MINUTES

Because we do not have a secretary, there will be no minutes in this newsletter. Please consider the position of secretary. The secretaries in the past few years have written very detailed notes but this is not necessary. Before this, some secretaries have written very brief notes. It is just important to list what has happened and most important, what motions are passed. Think about it.

AWESOME ! THANKS AGAIN FREIDA.

AND THAT'S A WRAP

Thank you for reading this NINTH edition of the re started Victoria Vintage View Newsletter. We hope you enjoyed it. A true work in progress. We appreciate your comments and praise. Articles and ideas are coming forward from you - the members. Thank you!

- My apologies for any errors and omissions in this edition, or any other. ????

- Please help us by suggesting ideas, writing articles, sending pictures, etc.
- Let me know what you would like reported here.
- Contact me at normtatlow@gmail.com Cell: 778 977 6346.

THANK YOU, Norm Tatlow. Editor. Happy Motoring

???? Answer to Mystery Car on Page 1 :

Dick Tracy Movie Car - 1948 Hudson Customized.